

# IT'S TO BE A FIGHT TO A FINISH IF THE JUNKERS CONTROL GERMANY

DR. RICHARD VON KUEHLMANN'S address to the reichstag has brought its result. It was bound to bring a result. A responsible official of the imperial German government could not stand before the parliament and boldly assert Germany could not hope to win the war by force of arms without producing an effect. The emperor and the rest of the government either had to sanction the expression and see for peace or that back or they had to denounce the expression and punish the speaker. They chose the latter course and Dr. von Kuehlmann is no longer the German foreign secretary. With great self-restraint, the emperor has allowed Dr. von Kuehlmann to resign, sparing him the indignity of summary dismissal. The emperor's self-control can better be understood when one is reminded that von Kuehlmann's declaration was in flat contradiction to one of his own. The emperor had declared only a few days before, with all the usual rhetorical flourishes, that "our good German sword" could be depended upon to win a fitting peace for Germany—"and may God help us further"—the usual hypocritical rot.

Perhaps the emperor vented his wrath only within the confines of great headquarters for a reason of policy. Von Kuehlmann is the spokesman of the great body of moderates in Germany whose present aim is not one of imperial conquest but the achievement of peace by understanding. They would end the war by declaring it a draw. The diplomatic phrase is the restoration of the status quo. They would end the war and give all participants just what they had before (except the lives of the slain and the whole bodies of the maimed) and let each participant fight his own war bills, including the restoration of ruined property. A program like that makes the junkers, the pan-Germans, the apostles of the shining sword foam at the mouth. It does not correspond to the dream of a Mittel-Europa or the greater dream of a cultured world made to pay the pounds of flesh in tribute to German military might.

With the downfall of chancellor von Bethmann Hollweg's ministry last year, Dr. von Kuehlmann was tendered, and accepted, the portfolio of the ministry of foreign relations at the same time as von Hertling accepted the portfolio of chancellor. Both were moderates and were apparently chosen in the hope that they might act as a buffer between the pulchritudinous pan-Germans and the powerful socialist factions to the east that a sort of harmony resulting therefrom might enable Germany to continue to present a strong front to the enemy.

There was no intention in the mind of emperor William and his favorite military and civilian courtiers of allowing either the socialists or the moderates to have any power of decision. This was plainly evidenced within a short time. In the primary conferences at Brest-Litovsk, an agreement was reached that as between Russia and the central powers there should be no annexations and no indemnities. This was the cardinal principle of the Russian people. In fact it had been their revolutionary slogan—peace without annexations and contributions. Dr. von Kuehlmann shared that sentiment and count Cernin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, was sent to Brest-Litovsk from Vienna with definite instructions to adopt that attitude, the dual monarchy being heartily tired of war and anxious to make peace on any terms short of defeat.

The Russian emissaries returned to Petrograd to lay the first principles thus reached before the Council of Soldiers' and Workmen's Deputies for ratification and the Teutonic plenipotentiaries returned to their capitals to obtain the same sanction. It was given readily in Vienna. But at German general headquarters it was flatly rejected. The military leaders demanded peace terms commensurate with Germany's sacrifices, which meant territorial acquisition. When the conference reassembled at Brest-Litovsk, von Kuehlmann and Cernin were relegated to the background and Gen. Hoffmann, German military representative in the priory, took the floor and laid down the program of the pan-Germans, including the abandonment by Russia of claims to four great provinces and three small ones, the latter to go to Turkey, and giving Russia a very limited right to acquire. What happened afterward, the luridness of German troops to occupy more and more of Russia's soil, is well known history. Russia yielded. This was a distinct victory for the pan-Germans and a defeat for von Kuehlmann and the ministry and following which he was dismissed.

Now he is out of office and chancellor von Hertling will either consent to be a mere rubber stamp for the government or be also will lose his official head. The pan-Germans are in the saddle. There is some discussion as to von Kuehlmann's successor, but apparently authentic reports declare he will be Admiral von Hintze. Despite von Hintze's naval rank, he is quite as much a diplomat as a sailor. He will be remembered by Americans of some acquaintance in Mexico City as the German minister to Mexico preceding count von Eckhardt. It was von Hintze who tried to block the plans of the United States for restoring peace in Mexico. He was a very good friend to Gen. Victoriano Huerta and especially so after the United States government determined Gen. Huerta must be eliminated and a government set up in Mexico which decent men could respect.

Admiral von Hintze is now, as he was in Mexico, for Germany over all. He is a pan-German, a courtier of the typical Prussian type, an ardent supporter of submarine ruthlessness.

## Little Interviews

### Business Man Says Discount Should Be Taken In War Stamps Simmons Says Women Who Wear Knitted Sweaters Slackers

"BUSINESS men of this city could assist the war saving stamp campaign wonderfully if they would take their discounts in stamps," said Alford Boretz. "Discounts are a sign of thrift. Business houses discount their bills in order to save and they would be saving a great deal more if they would take all this discount from the people they buy from in stamps and would be aiding the government at the same time. I think it would be a good thing for the business houses who allow discount to say that the discounts are paid in war stamps." Boretz said the ordinary discount allowed for cash. If the business houses would discount their bills and take it in their stamps it would mean that thousands of dollars worth of stamps would be sold in this city each month, and the houses taking discounts would be paid more than a per cent on their own savings.

"Douglas is a politician," said Oscar Goff, "and is one of the most active dopes on the Mexican border. The new road between Douglas and Bisbee is being built and soon these two cities will be connected with one of the finest roads in the country. Douglas is a city in the making. It is a thoroughly modern theater to cost upwards of \$100,000 is being built in the center of the city and one or two modern office buildings are also going up."

"Any young woman who walks

Uncle Walt's Denatured Poem.

## Still Living

WE'VE lived to see the greatest scrap that ever jarred the mundane map. Four years ago, in padded ways, we spent our money hunting dais. Some prophets stood around and said that bimby peace would soon be dead. They paved the air, it made them think that other nations seemed dead, while at their forges the busy Huns were making swords and bombs and guns. "Go to, false prophets!" we exclaimed; "you really ought to be ashamed to read your boards and say that peace, the precious boon, will ever cease. We're civilized, we've advanced; the world is now so circumstanced that every nation only asks a chance to do its useful tasks, to hale its hay and put up ice, and see it always has the price. No government is so insane that it has conquest on the brain, so chase yourselves, oh dippy seers, and let us yoke our brindled steers." Four years ago we talked like this. Who said that ignorance is bliss? Our ignorance has cost a lot since we were hanging out such rot. We've lived to see the planet torn, we've lived to see the nations mourn. And we shall live to see the Hun, who wished a go-place in the sun, into outer darkness cast and groping in a horror vast.

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## Elect Him On His Merits Alone

THE announcement of the Republican state convention at Douglas, Ariz., urging upon the voters of Arizona the wisdom of electing as governor Thomas E. Campbell, the Republican candidate, is faulty in one respect. It lays too much stress on the alleged duty of Arizona citizens to elect Mr. Campbell as a measure of justice in view of the fact that after having been given a certificate of election to the governorship he was obliged to pay his own contest expenses and those of governor Hunt who contested the election and also because the salary which he earned while governor was given to governor Hunt.

While there is no question that governor Campbell was subjected to unusual financial burdens, and while it is probably a fact that most Arizonians would have been better pleased had each candidate borne his own contest expenses, and while governor Campbell surely was entitled to the salary he earned during his incumbency, those facts should not be made the chief issue of his campaign. Probably the state convention did not so intend them. Nevertheless that impression is created by the announcement.

Governor Campbell should be elected, if at all, because he is the candidate best equipped to give Arizona a sound, strong, vigorous, and patriotic administration. There are other good candidates in the field. The Democratic party in the state will choose from among several of them. If governor Campbell is elected, it should be because he is a better man for the position than the best of his competitors—as he is.

## July 14 Means Liberty

FREEDOM lives in the hearts of freemen and forever will live. The wearing of time and the shock of battle merely toughen the will. It has dwelt in America for 142 years with light undimmed, flaming now more vividly than ever. It has lived in France 129 years and is as glorious as on that June 14, 1789, when men of France rebelled against the tyranny of the monarchy and wrecked the Bastille, its symbol.

The Fourth of July and July 14 are the birthdays of freedom in two of the world's great nations. Most fitting is it, therefore, that France has celebrated our national holiday as her own and that we celebrate France's national holiday as ours. The dipping of the flag before the tricolor, the firing of salutes from a thousand American guns are but a simple tribute of respect to a free people who cannot be overpowered by the force of autocracy no matter whether it rears its head within their land or without.

The French love of freedom, demonstrated so vividly in 1789, inspired the sympathy which France felt for us when our forefathers battled for freedom. It sent a host of Frenchmen to fight with us and for us. They were led by two nobles, holding the titles of a monarchy but lovers of freedom nevertheless. They were marquis de Lafayette and the marquis de Rochambeau.

More than a century later, a million sons of America stand on the soil of France, their bodies a bulwark against the encroachments of a brutal invader. They are repaying the debt to France and millions more are coming up to reinforce them. Lovers of liberty, descendants of men who fought to overthrow despotism, they are brothers in arms today to break the power of a despot the most dangerous the world ever knew and the most savage. Joffre of the Marne, Pétain of Verdun and the Americans of Chateau Thierry and the Bois de Belleau; they with their gallant allies of old Britain are defending French liberty today with a staunchness which is the sure precursor of victory. The time comes when there will be a world independence day to celebrate.

We have celebrated the fall of the Bastille, but for the real celebration wait until the fall of Berlin.

The Mexican editors have found how different people and things appear when you go personally and see them as they really are.

Some Americans have won the distinguished service cross and some the plain white crosses that dot the fields of France. They are honored equally.

## 40 MORE WOMEN THAN MEN CAN VOTE AT AMARILLO

Amarillo, Texas, July 12.—Forty more women than men are qualified to vote here in the Democratic primary election July 27. This was disclosed when the registration of women ended last night.

A total of 2112 women have registered as against a total of 2072 men registered last January.

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## Let Everybody Do It

FAST THE KAISER WITH A WAR STAMP

## The Kaiser's Cup

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## TODAY Editorial Comment By Arthur Brisbane

It is said that the French feel doubtful about the propriety of using flying machines and dynamite with utmost thoroughness above German soil. The brutality of a warfare from the sky, killing women and children—the surprise of our national fathers when they first saw the airplane in 1908—has been replaced by the grim reality of the air war. Very sad to be allowed only 25 percent profit, isn't it?

Four and a quarter percent for the good citizen who lends his money to the government. Twenty-five percent for the exploiter who profits. If you have paid too much for flour, it may comfort you to know that part of the money is going back to the government. Some of the profits made 45 percent profit, and some more.

Germany, to save cloth, must have their more costly half lined, only three for vest and trousers, total seven—about six more than the average German needs at present—more than he will need if the war goes another year.

There is talk of putting up a statue of Washington near the British houses of parliament. Can you imagine the surprise of our national fathers when that statue reaches him in his abode of bliss?

Washington will say to Jefferson: "Punch me, please, Mr. Jefferson, I think I am asleep."

And Jefferson will say to Franklin: "Look down, there are things worth seeing!"

The human race takes its pleasures more sensibly than it used to. Business places are sprayed with disinfectant. The rest of their lives sweating and re-sweating, it might make them regret starting the war.

There was a time not so long ago when the authorities would burn a few Jews alive on the starting of a plague, in the hope that the burning would please God Almighty and persuade Him to stop the plague. This was at least curious for His own Bible declared the Jews to be His chosen people, and He chose a Jewish girl to be the mother of His only son.

Some discrimination was usually shown in the Jews selected for sacrifice. They picked out the richest, with property worth stealing. This unpleasant detail is printed to remind you that the world has improved a little, even if we are hatching each other wholesale. We at least no longer torture and kill, promising to use it as often as you like. The Kaiser does it, it is true, but he does not belong to this age.

Discipline is going to pieces in the German army, so the cables say, especially among German soldiers brought from the Russian front. Prussian soldiers on that frontier spent several months fraternizing with Jewish-eyed Bolsheviks, whom

By Windsor McCay

## Selling War Stamps A Hard Job When A Man Perspires Freely

By K. G. B.

FINLEY PETER DUNNE, DIRECTOR OF Publicity, WAR SAVINGS Committee, MY DEAR Finley, THE LETTER you wrote me, ABOUT THE WAR SAVINGS Stamps, AND WOULD I write something, ON MY vacation, REACHED ME, WITH THE American Press Humorists, ALL OF THE Humorists, RETURNED home to sell stamps, AND WITH every stamp, EACH ONE OF THE Humorists, WILL TELL a new joke, THAT HAS never been printed, BECAUSE HE can't sell it, AND IN that way, WE'LL GET rid of the jokes, AND SELL a lot of stamps, AND WHILE I'm writing you, I WANT to tell you, THAT at the convention, I WAS selling some stamps, AND HAD five dollars' worth, THAT A woman gave me, AND WE had a luncheon, AT THE Chicago Press Club, FOR THE Humorists, AND WE were all there, WITH OUR badges, THAT TELL we're Humorists, AND I was late, AND I had to hurry, AND GOT all hot up, AND DURING the luncheon, I'D THOUGHT I'd sell some stamps, AND THEY were in my pocket, AND I took them out, WITH A letter from my wife, THAT I had opened, JUST A little while before, AND HADN'T finished reading, AND ALL of the stamps, WERE STUCK to the letter, WHERE I was warm on my chest, AND I couldn't get them off, AND COULDN'T read the letter, AND IF I sell them, I HAVE to sell the letter, AND I don't know what's in it, UNDERNEATH THE stamps, BUT AM the letter stands today, IT'S WORTH five dollars, OF ANYBODY'S money, IF HE can steam off the stamps, AND IF I can't sell it, I'LL HAVE to pay the woman, SO YOU can see, THAT I'M doing my bit, AND I'M going to buy some more, AND IN 1921, WHEN I cash them all in, I'M GOING over to Europe, TO SEE the ruins of Berlin, AND VISIT the island, WHERE THEY'RE going to keep the Kaiser, AFTER THE war, I THINK you.

## The Young Lady Across The Way

MANY of the German successes at the beginning of the drive, remarked the young lady across the way yesterday, were of purely sentimental value, such as the capture of the Chemise des Dames, for instance.

## Short Snatches From Everywhere

After all the old world can thank its stars that it discovered America. KNAKI suits were not beautiful in girls until the government put boys into them. Toledo Blade. The well formed girl at the beach is sometimes or other more popular than the well informed one.—Florida Times-Union. The Kaiser hasn't yet moved his headquarters for safety to a place outside the sector of the front held by the Yankee troops.—Boston Globe. Don't fret at the way the men do in congress. Be thankful they are not running him on the firing line. He'd be gassed then, sure enough.—Hudson City. One speech of silver lining in the dark cloud over Russia is the thought that the Kaiser and Trotsky are about due to go to work for a living. One member of the reichstag declares that Gen. Ludendorff is the real ruler of Germany. If so, he isn't making much more of a success of it than his predecessor did.—Albany News. Female pawn shop clerks have proved a failure in New York City. Yours truly, J. L. CAMPBELL.

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